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GRAND BAND CONCERT AND BALL.

One Of The Social Events Of The Season.

The concert and ball given by the Rumford Falls Band Friday evening in the Opera House, was of exceptional excellence. The committee in charge of the affair spared neither time nor trouble to make it attractive and enjoyable, and were rewarded by a large audience at the concert and the dance at the ball. The first number of the program was "The Old Dominion," played by the band under the direction of J. Rigby. The boys deserve the highest praise, for their playing certainly fine, and a credit to them and to Mr. Rigby, who has so ably drilled the band during the six months. Mr. Rigby organized the band when the boys were but boys in embryo, and the result of his indefatigable efforts was shown to the audience at the first appearance of the band Friday night. A great deal of interest in the band has been manifested since its organization, and a creditable amateur performance was given. But there was nothing about their playing and dancing which could have been guessed that it was a first appearance in public.

The playing was fine, not a break in the performance, and the volume was remarkable, when the age of the boys and the time they have been playing is taken into consideration. Of them are about twelve years and none of them over fifteen of age. The personnel of the band follows: Wynot, E. clarinet; Robert J. Hamilton and Oscar Davis, E. clarinets; Miles Noel, Henry Carter and Wallace Gleason, 2nd B. clarinet; Arthur Russell and Walter J. solo cornets; Timothy J. J. solo cornet; Ena Carrier, 2nd cornet; Nelson, 3rd cornet; Charles Dunlop, 4th cornet; Robert Ladd, 5th cornet; Ladd, 6th cornet; Bert Noel, 7th cornet; L. C. 1st trombone; Alex. 2nd Trombone; Charles A.

wood and Lynn Lowell, bass; Arthur Kendall, snare drum; Tribenau, bass drum. The boys are planning to give a concert in January, for which they will furnish all of the music. The proceeds are to go toward the purchase of uniforms. They have made such a favorable impression by their first appearance that there is no doubt but that the concert will be generously patronized by the people, and the band will soon have the much desired uniforms. The program of the Rumford Falls Band was composed of carefully selected musical numbers, the rendition of which made a very enjoyable entertainment. The first number was the "Steel King," a march by St. Clair, and received an appreciative round of applause. The overture, "Jolly Robbers," by Suppe was far the best and most difficult selection, and it alone was well worth the price of admission. "Amaranthus," an Idyll by Gilder is a dainty and beautiful composition, and the execution was admirable. The Pastorale and Polka, "Emulative," by Morand, introduced bird calls, singing, etc. Extracts from Herbert's, "Dolly Dollars," was one of the most pleasing numbers to all lovers of music. Allen's, "Dance of The Skeletons," is a descriptive piece and the interpretation was good. The synopsis of the selection is: Skeletons arriving in storm—They start dancing—Little ones—Big ones—Getting excited—They all fall—Dawn approaches—Dance goes smoothly—Confusion—Going—Going—Going.

After the concert, forty couples led by Alfred S. Sparks and Miss Doyle, formed for the grand march, which was followed by an order of sixteen dances. Refreshments were served during intermission. The floor manager was Arthur B. Mansur, aids were Wallace R. Moore and Alfred S. Sparks. Excellent music was furnished by Noel's orchestra of eight pieces, and nearly all of the dances were enjoyed.

CITIZEN SIGHT SEER.

THE SIGHT SEER GETS A HURRY CALL TO THE POLICE STATION WHERE SOMETHING WAS DOING ALRIGHT.

The sight seer was out on the foot bridge the other night watching the brilliant planet that shone like crystallized diamonds in the western sky, when he was informed by a breathless messenger that something was doing at the police station. It disturbed the mind of the star gazer, to be interrupted, but recognizing a duty call he withdrew his gaze from the sparkling orb, and hiked himself to the blue coat's headquarters. Descending the stairs he found the room where the blue coats hang out or up, (just before and after,) locked and lights out. For a brief moment the scribe thought he had been imposed upon, and sent on a useless fool's errand, and just as he was about to be overwhelmed with indignation, and was forming plans for the punishment of the fellow who had interrupted the star gazing, he was nearly startled into fits by the most remarkable series of sounds coming from that darkened room—sounds that even Poe never dreamed of.

The melody was begun by a clattering clanging sound like tin cans might make if a hundred of them were hurled from several directions against a swinging door that kept them whanging first one way and then another. In the midst of all that fearful din, making havoc even of the melody, there arose, in tones indicating a queer mixture of feeling, a voice that seemed like some parrot we read of, to have never learned anything but one words. All this happened before the startled scribe could collect his scattered senses, and he confidentially will admit that if at the right moment, a glimmering of light, in the nature of a peal of laughter from the deputies room, had not arisen above the horrible din, he might not have gathered them at all. (Any jokes under this head by the public will be repeated.)

Almost simultaneously with the appearance of several officers and Sturgis deputies on the scene, the lights in the officers room were turned on and the door wrenched open, and the most woe-begone, dilapidated, ink besmeared, rope and tin can entangled specimen of a man, stepped forth and hurled wordy maledictions upon every thing in sight, and out of sight, that was ever seen in Rumford. As soon as the turbulent spirit of the victim allowed him to speak in his natural tone of voice, the scribe, much to his astonishment, recognized a well known printer from the bag mill, who drops into police headquarters now and then for a little chat. The explanation was simple. Mr. M—(he begged so hard not to have his name appear that we refrain,) was sitting in the room, and fell asleep, while the officers dandled his face and hands with ink, tied him hand and foot, attached several tin snails and coat hods to the ropes, and put them on the table. Then they put out the lights, locked the door, and sent for the scribe to see the fun. The fun was there. It began of course, when the victim awoke, and moved himself, thus pulling down the snails and hods creating all the racket, and scaring the man half to death. Arthur says he will be awake and on deck to take a hand in the next frolic, as much as to say that he did not have a hand in this. The fact is, old boy, you were in it face, hands and both feet.

The Sight Seer Buys a Knife, Cuts Himself with it and Finds Both the Knife and the Dealer Sharp. The need of a knife—a sharp knife, and one that would stay sharp, caused the sight seer to visit Stanley Bissbee's hardware store. The fact that the scribe never did own a good knife, made him skeptical regarding the claim of knife vendors, and it was not with the greatest of confidence that he began bargaining for a pencil sharpener—that is the only use he puts a jackknife to, using a razor to shave with, as a rule. The clerk picked out a very pretty knife, and with all the warmth of a devotee assured the pencil pusher that it would last for years and always remain sharp. The scribe had no doubt that that was true of the clerk, and was soon convinced (no apologies to the lightning rod agent,) that the knife was too. The lesson was alright, but as he did not want a knife to cut his hands with, the sale was no nearer completed than before. Finally the clerk, who was getting disgusted with the fussy customer, said "We are agents for the Ulster knife, made in Ellenville, New York, and no man ever it, and will refund your money if

it is not satisfactory." Upon this guarantee the knife was bought. Now the patience and good nature displayed by that clerk is worthy of praise, and as it is characteristic of all the clerks in the store, every one who trades there may be sure of courteous treatment and a "square deal."

Mr. Bissbee is a man whose business methods and social manner have made him very successful and popular. He has a large store and it is filled with everything that can be thought of in the hardware store, and sporting goods line.

One of the things he is making a prominent showing of at this time is the Anti-Rust tinware, and Liske Agate ware. There are probably more different kinds of articles for sale in this store than in any other store in town. To mention them all would require several editions of this paper.

He has eight clerks and they do not have any spare time at that, and we do not advise any one to take half an hour's time in buying a dollar jack knife, but we will guarantee that you will meet with cordial treatment under any and all conditions in Stanley Bissbee's store.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE CARNegie LIBRARY.

"The Jungle" Among Them. Hon. Hugh J. Chisholm has given the following books to the Public Library: "The Financiers" by Harris Budland, author of The Black Motor Car. "The Penobscot Man" by Fannie Hardy Eckstorm. These are stories about men in our own state, actual occurrences, stories of the river. "The Amateur Crackman," stories by E. W. Homing. "Quintus Oakes," a detective story written by C. R. Jackson. "The Flower of France" by Justin Hambley McCarthy. "A Maker of History" by E. Phillips Oppenheim. "The Danow Enigma" by Melvin L. Sever. "The Mystery of June 13th" by Melvin L. Sever. "The Jungle—To the working men of America" by Upton Sinclair.

AN UNUSUAL ACCIDENT.

George L. Goss met with a serious accident last week. He was in Gilchrist's barber shop and in spirit of fun a young man put the lighted end of a cigar into Mr. Goss' left eye. The fire burned the lower lid to a blister, and inflicted severe pain. The sight of the eye is not injured but the pain and necessity of keeping it bandaged prevented Mr. Goss attending to his business for several days.

The young man who caused the trouble says he did not expect the cigar was going to reach so far, and it is probable that Mr. Goss, who usually wears glasses, but was without them, did not see the danger, and draw away his head, as would have been natural. It was an unfortunate affair, and ought to teach careless boys a lesson.

KNIGHTS OF MACCABEES.

State Commander, Leonard, of the Knights of Maccabees was at Rumford Falls, Wednesday, Nov. 7, and initiated twelve or more members into the order. The Knights have taken a renewal of life and are to hold meetings every Tuesday night in McMenamin Hall. It is learned that thirty-five or forty new members have recently made application for membership.

A COMMUNICATION.

To the editor of the Citizen: I wish to call your attention to the dissatisfaction among the citizens of Rumford Falls and vicinity, over the loss of the early morning and late evening trains. Besides giving us inadequate mail service, it makes it very inconvenient for travellers.

In returning from Boston, unless one starts on the first train in the morning, he cannot reach Rumford Falls the same day. I was obliged to stay in Lewiston, with no means of getting home until noon the following day. I am not alone in feeling disturbed over the arrangement. Business men are greatly inconvenienced. It now takes three days to get returns from Boston, where formerly an order sent on first mail one morning would bring the goods by next night's express.

The Citizen seems willing to champion the cause of the people and I trust you will print this protest.

BUSINESS.

LOST—Between Hanover and Rumford Falls, one rubber covered wagon robe. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at the Citizen office.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Or Everybody's Bargain Counter.

Short business items will be published in this column for 10c per line. Tell the public of your bargains. A line here will bring many customers.

It is just round the bend on Bridge street. What? The place to get the best meals. W. W. Small's restaurant and hotel.

W. P. McDonald Co., the druggists, have just received a new line of Rubber Goods, consisting of Hot Water Bottles, Fountain Syringes, Baby Syringes, Invalid Cushions, etc. all of which are guaranteed perfect, and if not found so will be replaced with new goods.

DEATH OF HENRY P. COX AFFECTS RUMFORD FALLS.

The death of Henry P. Cox of Portland, Sunday, removes a man well known in Rumford. Mr. Cox was interested in many of Rumford Falls enterprises, among them being the Oxford Paper Co., of which he was president at the time of his death, and the Rumford National Bank, in which he owned a large number of shares.

Mr. Cox was very largely interested in the business affairs of Portland, having been a director in many different institutions, including the Merchants and Trust Co., which he helped to organize. He was trustee of the great Chandler estate that was sued by the Board of Foreign Missions, the matter being now unsettled.

He was highly respected both in business and social life, and his many acquaintances at Rumford Falls are saddened because of his death, which was wholly unexpected. Mr. Cox was a Mission Knight of Pythias and an Odd Fellow.

The funeral occurred Wednesday. The Oxford mill was closed in the afternoon and floral tributes were sent by the employees of the mill. The following gentlemen from Rumford Falls attended the funeral: B. S. Kennard, O. J. Gonyea, Waldo Pettengill, Daniel Masters and U. J. Chisholm from New York.

A LYCEUM.

To Be Conducted Under the Auspices of the Maccabees.

The Citizen's suggestion that a Lyceum be established in Rumford Falls has created considerable favorable comment, and various means of organizing a society have been suggested. The Knights of Maccabees are first in the field with a definite proposal. At their Tuesday night meeting a committee was appointed to report upon the means of conducting a public debating society under the auspices of the Knights of Maccabees. The proposition met with warm approval and there seems no doubt that an important feature of the social and educational life of Rumford Falls is about to be inaugurated.

LIQUOR CASES.

Wednesday night, Oct. 31, the Sturgis deputies seized a quart bottle of whiskey in the house of Mrs. LaBelle, 421 Waldo street, and in a shed on the premises they found a 10 gallon keg full of whiskey. Mrs. LaBelle was arrested charged with illegal possession, and maintaining a nuisance. She appeared in court next day and furnished bonds in the sum of \$200 on each charge for her appearance at next term of court.

Paul Normando paid \$100 for having liquor on his premises. This charge was also brought by the Sturgis deputies.

Real Estate For Sale.

West Peru, 100 acre farm, 1 mile to town, church and school, 2 miles to R. R. station, 20 acres tillable, 80 acres pasture, 15 grafted apple trees and a lot of natural fruit. 1 story house with 1 1/2 story all 36x60 feet, barn, 26x36 feet, stable connected with house. The buildings are in good repair, water in stable. Best of reasons for selling. Price \$2,800. Cash or easy terms.

Rumford Center, 100 acre farm, five miles from Rumford Falls, 25 acres tillable, 20 acres pasture, 15 grafted apple trees and many natural fruit, cuts 20 tons hay. 1 story house not painted, but interior in good repair, barn 36x40 feet. Water in house and barn. Price \$1,300. Cash or easy terms.

1 1/2 story house with ell, stable 25x30 feet, connected, lot 75x100 feet. Newly painted and in fine repair. This is one of the best located houses in Mexico. If you are looking for a home or an investment you can't miss this. Price \$2,100. Cash or easy terms.

Mexico double tenement 2 story, 11 room house, 1 1/2 story ell, stable 24x28 feet, connecting house, hen house. This house is painted and finished in fine shape, spring water in sink, rents for \$25.00 month. Fine location. Price \$3,100. Cash or easy terms.

Mexico double tenement, 8 room house on Granite St., lot 50x117 feet, chance for a garden, rents for \$22.00. Price \$1,900. Cash or easy terms.

A two story double tenement house in Ridgelyville, 10 rooms, spring water, lot 50x100 feet. Price \$1,300. Cash or easy terms.

Mexico 2 story double tenement house with ell, 10 rooms, rents for \$21.00 month, spring water. Price \$1,900.

We have some good building lots. If you do not have the money to buy the place you want give us a call and we can arrange the terms to suit your pocket book.

Ralph A. Curtis,
Hall Block,
Rumford Falls, Me.

Statecraft.
"Tell the press censor to exercise more than ordinary vigilance over all the publications that come into the palace," said the czar.
"For any special reason, your majesty?"
"Yes. The fortune teller has warned me that I am liable to hear some bad news.—Washington Star.

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COURSE OF LECTURES.

Will Treat for Dixfield this Winter.

Dixfield High School in connection with the Universalist church have arranged for a series of lectures to be given during the winter. The lectures will be an intellectual treat that will be greatly appreciated in this section. The list of lecturers includes some of the most eloquent and capable orators and scholars in the State.

First lecture of the series takes place (Thursday) evening, and is delivered by Charles W. White, of Colby College. The subject, "A Biblical Trip Through Palestine."

Program for the remaining lectures follows:
22. "World West," by L. F. Ames, political economist and expert.
23. "Unworked Joy Mines," Charles Hayden, pastor Universalist, Augusta.

24. "Robert Louis Stevenson," W. T. Foster, Bowdoin College.
25. "An Unsuccessful Hero," Perry Fellows, president of the City of Maine.

26. "Martin Luther and the Reformation," Prof. A. N. Leonard, Colby.

27. "Lessons from Great Men," W. Stetson, State Supt. of Schools, Auburn.

28. "The Church, the Home, School, and their place in the life of the Child," Payson Smith, of schools, Auburn.

29. Music will be furnished at all lectures. It is quite probable that singing parties may be organized in Rumford Falls to attend some of the lectures. There is talk of arranging a special train to Dixfield. Arrangements can be made for a train at a reasonable guarantee, so Lovejoy informs the Citizen.

Not Encouraging.

As called," said the party with a "barbered" air, "to see if there was any in your joke department."

"There will be," replied the busy man, "as soon as the office boy gets empty the waste baskets."

—Daily News.

THE ANDOVER SECTION

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No effort will be spared to make this page of interest and value to the people of Andover. Your co-operation is solicited.

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Where others are paying large rents I run my own business at small expense, and during the past three years I have done three men's work.

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Lobsters every Saturday night and Sunday

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Suits made to order at reasonable prices.

Good Fit Guaranteed.

Cleaning, Dying and Pressing.

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When a horse is so overworked it goes down and in other ways declares its inability to go farther, you would consider it criminal to use force. Many a man of humane impulses, who would not willingly harm a kitten, is guilty of cruelty where his own stomach is concerned. Overdriven, overworked, when what it needs is something that will digest the food eaten and help the stomach to recuperate, that is sold by all druggists.

Arthur Roberts brought in a nice deer last week.

The Board of Health reports four cases of measles at Mrs. Thurlow's in No. 4, also three cases of whooping cough in other parts of the town.

There are about six inches of snow in Andover and undoubtedly there will be more brought in this week.

Mr. Freeman F. Leslie of Glenellis leaves Saturday of this week, for a month's visit to Boston and vicinity.

James Glover, while working at Learned's operation on Sawyer Mt., was so unfortunate as to cut his left leg below the knee. It was a severe wound, necessitating the taking of several stitches.

Annie Akers has returned from her school work.

Bimbley Akers, our new postmaster, will have for assistants, Misses Ellen and Annie Akers.

The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn Damon is seriously ill. Mr. Damon is occupying the Henry Dunn house, Andover Springs.

Nathan Akers and Whitney Roberts were among the successful hunters this week.

J. E. Akers' little black dog was shot last week and so severely injured that it was necessary to kill him.

Frank McAllister has taken the local agency for E. B. Davis' greenhouse.

Nathan Akers and family of Riddellville have been visiting in Andover for the past week.

Allen Jodrie, who was so severely injured several weeks ago, is back at Bert Dunn's camp on the Lake Road.

Mrs. Charles Lovejoy of Farmer's Hill, has been very ill with ulcer of the stomach. She has had several severe hemorrhages.

Mr. John Briggs of Canton was a guest at Glenellis last Friday.

Robert Southgate Boyd of Glenellis was one of the successful hunters last week. He brought in a beautiful eight point buck which weighed over 200 pounds. It had a very nicely balanced head which Mr. Boyd will have mounted.

The King's Daughters meet with Mrs. Wint Lovejoy, Thursday, Nov. 15th.

Lester Poor has been building an addition to his house on the Lake Road.

The Universalist Society held a chicken pie supper in the vestry last Tuesday evening, Nov. 13th. It was well attended and was a grand success in every way.

Stephen Marston got a fine buck last Saturday.

Edward Graves and Nellie Foster, both of Andover, were married last Friday evening, Nov. 9th, by J. Lyman Ripley, Esq.

There was a slight chimney fire in Robert Hewey's home on Newton St. last Wednesday morning. It was put out without the aid of the fire department.

J. Lyman Ripley has sold to John Briggs of Canton, all of the tools, etc., remaining in the mill.

Mr. and Mrs. David Rand have returned from a two weeks' visit to Mr. Rand's sister.

BACK KINGDOM.

C. D. Austin called on friends last Sunday.

The Back Kingdom school is about to give an entertainment for the purpose of buying an organ.

G. W. Newton has returned from Carthage, where he has been fitting the water in the house for A. L. Coburn.

Hawkins and Martin have purchased them a five horse power gasoline engine and are sawing their pulp wood near Jennie Pond.

W. O. Burgess has purchased a pair of fine draft horses from Jonas Edwards.

H. A. Holt and wife were in town calling on friends recently.

G. A. Virgin of Carthage was in town calling on friends and looking for a farm.

Dorr Bros. returned from Houghton with a fine buck.

L. I. Knowlton called on P. E. Littlefield, the well known horse man, one day last week.

Albert Howard is at home, having finished working for the Continental Bag Co.

Mr. L. I. Knowlton is circulating a petition for the re-appointment of deputy sheriff, F. A. Perkins.

W. W. and L. I. Knowlton sold their apples to Gauthier Bros.

D. W. Spaulding made an arrest on the Back Kingdom road Thursday night for intoxication.

Winthrop Hutchinson called on friends last week.

Wing and Knowlton were in town buying cedar posts last week.

Wright Newton purchased a fine driving team recently.

A Story.

"Yes, while he was wealthy she was a great spender, but when he became poor she never left him."

"Guess that's the reason he stayed poor, isn't it?"—Houston Post.

NOW AND THEN

There comes a time now and then when every gentleman feels the need of an exceptionally stylish and well-put-together suit of clothes.

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BOSTON, U.S.A.

BETHEL.

Mr. Leslie Anson of Portland was in this village Tuesday.

Mr. C. E. Tolman of South Paris was in Bethel Monday.

Mr. George Chapman of South Paris was in town one day last week.

Mrs. L. E. Allen of West Bethel visited friends here last Friday.

Miss Martha B. Dingley of Portland is with her sister, Mrs. Bowler.

Mr. Charles Valentine is confined to the house with the measles.

John Nelson has returned to Bethel after a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. Charles Stearns went to Mechanic Falls Friday to visit his daughter, Mrs. Douglass.

Mr. Gilman Bradbury of Berlin was in town Friday to attend the funeral of Mr. Penley.

Mr. A. J. Haskell and family of West Bethel have moved into Mr. Long's house on Church street.

Mr. Tenney is working at West Bethel putting a bath room in Mr. Fred Ordway's house.

Francis Mills of West Bethel came to Bethel Saturday to join Mrs. G. I. Burnham's class of pupils in music.

Mrs. Flora Bennett and niece, Miss Grace Chapman of Portland were called to Bethel last week by the death of Mr. Penley.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Stearns of South Paris are to close their home and spend the winter in Bethel with their daughter, Mrs. E. C. Park.

Mr. Frank Heath went to Wild River hunting last Saturday and Mr. Simon Brown has been filling his place as engineer at the chair factory.

Mr. Albert Penley and Mr. Harold Chapman of Auburn and Mr. and Mrs. Proctor of Yarmouth attended the funeral of Mr. Penley last Friday.

Miss Ellen Penley of Massachusetts, who was called to Bethel last week by the illness and death of her brother, returned to her home Saturday.

The Bethel Manufacturing Company have been putting an extension on their engine room to better handle their winter business, which bids fair to be large.

Mr. Clifford Potter visited friends in town over Sunday while enroute from Kezar Falls to Vermont, where his father, Rev. F. C. Potter has taken a charge.

Mr. Ed Herriek recently shot a fine buck with ten points. It was one of the finest deer brought out this year.

Mr. Herriek was hunting near North-west Bethel.

Mrs. Walter Foster and little children were at Mr. Eli Stearns last Saturday on their return from Arcotook county, where Mrs. Foster visited her parents.

NORTH RUMFORD.

Ralph Penley shot a fine deer one day last week while on his way to Rumford Point.

The moist snow of last Friday night gave the hunters the advantage, and several deer were taken Saturday. B. F. Hutchins got a good one.

The Ladies' Aid met last Friday afternoon with Mrs. Amos Elliot.

The Sunday school held at the "Howe School" at 11 a. m. on Sunday is well patronized.

If an article is imitated, the original is always best. Think it over, and when you go to buy that box of salve to keep around the house, get Dr. Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the original and the name is stamped on every box. Good for eczema, tetter, boils, cuts and bruises, and especially recommended for piles. Sold by Bowers & Vallee.

Skidoo.

He asked her to tell me her age, and she said "twenty-three."

She—Well—did you?—Brooklyn Life.

EAST PERU.

Several cases of scarlet fever are reported in town.

D. H. Conant and T. Ellis have each lost a horse lately.

Mrs. Elizabeth Small of Portland returned home Monday after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Annie Poland.

S. A. Gately has sold his farm at Worthley pond to E. M. Howard and has purchased Mr. Gupill's property known as the Gibb's farm.

Although about every old gun in town was brought into requisition the first of October, and many were the deer hunters, no moose is felt that the deer are liable to extermination this season.

Young people's day was observed at Rockemka Grange, Saturday. There being a good attendance the first and second degrees were conferred on one candidate, and two received the 3rd and 4th. The program which followed, consisting of readings, music and character, was enjoyed by all.

To Break In New Shoes

Always use Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder that keeps the feet cool, dry, and free from itching feet. At all druggists and shoe stores.

BYRON.

W. A. Aris, Henry Thoms and Alex. Hartley each brought in a deer on the first snow last Saturday.

Miss Grace V. Ladd has returned home from Hartford, where she has been teaching.

Mrs. Robinson of Danville has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Aris, on Terrace.

The Order of Fall Moons gave a fine set of souvenir pictures to their friend in Hartford, this week.

Rev. N. D. Jackson of New York has been staying with Elder S. Taylor, the past week. Mr. Jackson is a successful hunter as well as a preacher. He will take home with him a deer as evidence of his skill with rifle.

The barn on the Hancock farm, owned by Swan & Root, was last Wednesday morning, with the first of hay, farming tools, and other articles.

Good for everything a salve is for, and especially recommended for piles. That is what we say of Dr. Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. On the market years and a standby in thousands of families. Sold by Bowers & Vallee.

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Mr. S. S. Hall of Riverwood, W. Va., writes: "I was troubled with sour stomach for twenty years. Kodol cured me and we are now using it in our family."

Kodol Digests What You Eat. Relieves indigestion, sour stomach, flatulence, etc. Prepared by Dr. J. C. Dewitt & Co., CHICAGO. For sale by Bowers & Vallee.

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The Best Preparation ever made for restoring Natural Color, Life and Beauty to the Hair.

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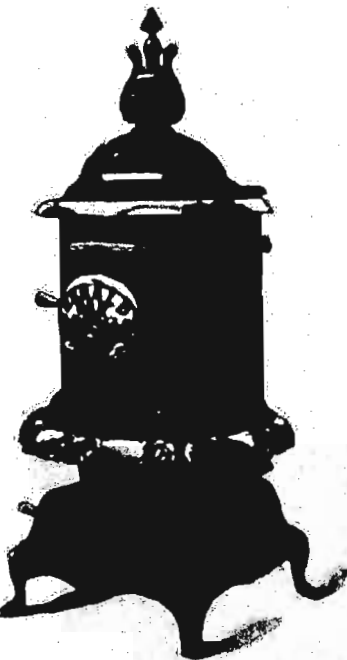
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THE HOME CIRCLE.

Place and Evening, November—A Column Dedicated to Three Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Discontent is the fog in your shoes
that hurts.

A woman's smile is the little poem
we find in the prose of life.

If everyone was as good as they
think their neighbors ought to be, what
a splendid world this would be.

Isn't it better to say to the boy when
you want him to do something, "I
wish you would," and not, "You
must?"

When, at eve, at the bounding of the
landscape, the heavens appear to re-
cline so slowly on the earth, imagination
pictures beyond the horizon an
asylum of hope, a native land of love;
and nature seems silently to repeat that
man is immortal.

Toward the cheerful home the chil-
dren gather "as clouds and as doves to
their windows," while from the home
which is the abode of discontent, strife
and trouble, they fly forth as vultures
to rend their prey. The class of men
who disturb and distress the world, are
not those born and nurtured amid the
hallowed influence of Christian homes,
but rather those whose earthly life has
been a scene of trouble and vexation—
who have started wrong in the pilgrim-
age, and whose course is one of disaster
to themselves and trouble to those
around them.

A single bitter word may disquiet
an entire family for a whole day. One
early glance casts a gloom over the
household, while a smile, like a gem of
sunshine, may light up the darkest and
weariest hours. Like unexpected flow-
ers, which spring up along our path,
full of freshness, fragrance and beauty,
do kind words and gentle acts and
sweet dispositions, make glad the home
where peace and blessing dwell. No
matter how humble the abode, if it be
thus garnished with grace and sweet-
ened with kindness and smiles, the
heart will turn lovingly toward it from
all the tumult of the world, and it will
be the dearest spot beneath the circuit
of the sun. The influences of home
perpetuate themselves.

A home that is not a home is a school
of vice. Domestic love leads to all
noble virtues, but discord or coldness
in the home engenders selfishness and bad-
ness. Despotism in the family is the
most common and worst in all the
earth. Family government is not pa-
rental tyranny. Government is good,
loving, cordial, helpful, joyous; its yoke
easy and burden light; but parental
tyranny is harsh, exacting, cruel, dis-
couraging and gendereth meanness.
We have faith to improve mechanism,
stock, farming and fine arts; measures
to improve homes are a thousand times
more important. Here is where the
right kind of men are made.

Borrowing Trouble.

It is uncomfortably true that there
is almost as much distress of mind in
the anticipation as in the realization.
About half of our unhappy days are
occasioned by our looking forward to
the unhappiness of the other half.

"Sufficient unto the day is the evil
thereof." We need never take another
jot on credit. In borrowing trouble
natural laws are reversed; mere mole-
hills of annoyance become mountains,
when viewed at a distance ahead.
Some persons never take actual com-
fort. In tranquil times the dread of a
coming change is always in the way of
their enjoyment.

If we take things as they come, we
shall usually find that they come much
better than we have any right to ex-
pect. Our anticipatory flag may have
been inviting compassion, and flinging
patches of darkness over many a bright
scene for months, only to find that we
have been guilty of needlessly, we
might say criminally, robbing our-
selves and others of the happiness
rightfully belonging to us and to them.
"Borrowing trouble" is sometimes
only another name for selfishness; for
the one borrowing trouble is seldom
satisfied, unless all within his or her
influence are inveigled into the tolls.
It is holding a dangerous serpent in
our heart, which grows with what it
feeds upon. It is sinful, for it is an
abiding distrust of God's goodness."

Stored Sunshine.

Some writer has given us thought.
In the season of firewood put away for
winter use is stored our sunshine for
the dark days that are coming. When
sombre clouds hide the sunlight of
heaven from us, and the cold winds
sweep a landscape that is drear and
naked, it is to our firewood that we
turn for warmth and light. During the
glorious summer time we should not
forget the dark days that are coming
nor neglect to provide for our "stored
sunshine" in dry and seasoned fire-
wood.

When our lives are bright and pros-
perous, let us sometimes think of the
dark days that must come, and in the
storehouse of memory treasure some of
the sunshine that now surrounds us, to
cheer the days that are without its
warmth. Thoughts of the happy past
with its love and pleasure, will drive
the gloom from hours that otherwise
will be dark, for, "The memory of
things precious keepeth warm the
heart that once did hold them." When
"The melancholy days are come

The saddest of the year"
and all is gray and dismal out-of-doors
let the home sunshine be brightest, and
the contrast between the inner and the
outer world as pleasing as possible. Let
the "stored sunshine" of our firewood,
be augmented out of the superabun-
dant that has been given us in the sum-
mer time of life. Though the days may
be dark, either from leaden clouds or
the shadow of sorrow, we may dispel
the gloom by stored sunshine, if we are
as wise as Nature.

MOOSE FOR NEW ZEALAND.

Canada Will Send a Herd to the
Antipodes.

An interesting attempt is to be made
to acclimatize the moose in New
Zealand, and steps are being taken
in the dominion to collect a herd of
both sexes for shipment to the anti-
podes.

The moose is a magnificent animal,
but, like all beasts of its size, certain
to become extinguished at the hands
of man in any country where it is not
protected.

To say that the bull moose has the
heart of a lion would be but to com-
pliment the lion. If the lion had the
heart of a bull moose he would be a
terrible thing indeed.

But often the courage of the
moose assists in his destruction, and
his strength is of no use to him
against modern rifles. Both in Canada
and in the American states, where the
noble animal is still to be found,
measures more or less adequate have
been taken for its preservation; but
if its range can be extended, the dan-
ger of extinction will be by so much
reduced. Science, as well as New
Zealand, will be interested in the ex-
periment.—Country Life.

Questions Worth Answering.

Col. Sangor's bloodhounds, when
they found three-year-old Raymond
Dowd in Nine-mile swamp, near Sang-
erfield, Otsego county, gathered around
the boy and licked his face. The child
wandered away last Friday when his
father was picking hops. An all-
night search by 300 men was fruitless.
Lanterns were carried and fires built
to attract the lad's attention, but he
gave no sign. Saturday morning the
four bloodhounds arrived. After smell-
ing of a jacket belonging to the lost
boy they began searching for his
tracks and soon found them. Follow-
ing a circuitous course, estimated to
be ten miles long, they came upon the
child lying at the foot of a tree, ex-
hausted from hunger and exposure.
There was a tremendous demonstration
when one of the horsemen took
the boy home perched on the pommel
of a saddle, and the dogs came in for
their share of the ovation.

Famous St. Bernard Dogs.

Motor cars have been adopted by
the monks of St. Bernard, which in-
novation has caused some people to
wonder if the dogs of that famous hos-
pice will be replaced in the life-sav-
ing business by automobiles. St.
Bernard dogs, whose ancestors are
believed to be a Danish bulldog and
the shepherd's dog of the Alps, were
threatened with extinction in 1812,
when, contrary to the rules, the
mother dogs were sent out to the
dreaded pass. None returned from
the ferocious of the winter storm and
the monks had to seek a new race,
which, although not of the ancient
type, was found to be no less intel-
ligent than its blue-blooded cousins.
The new dog with its Newfoundland
blood very soon became extremely
popular.

Flattering the Judge.

Uncle Solon Chase, of Chase's Mills,
Me., famous throughout the country
as the expounder of the "them steers"
doctrines, is as famous locally for his
rough-and-ready appearance. He is
what some would call plain. On one
occasion his friend, Judge Foster, of
Portland, who never loses a chance
to banter Uncle Solon, met him at
the local grange, and said: "Uncle
they tell me that you and I look al-
most exactly alike when we are be-
fore the public." Uncle Solon touched
the judge in a friendly way and said:
"Don't you believe them, judge; don't
you believe them. They are only
trying to flatter you."

Teach Children Gardening.

A course which is designed to fit
teachers to conduct children's gardens
is presented in the summer school of
the New York university. There are
several gardens laid out for the use
of pupils in and around New York
city, but the authorities are at a loss
to find men and women trained to
conduct them. The phenomenal
growth and success of this work in
Philadelphia has led to an extension
of school gardening in many cities.

NORWAY.

C. N. Tubbs & Son have bought the
Mary E. Beal place on the corner of
Paris and Winter streets and are mak-
ing extensive repairs on it. When
finished they will have a fine double
tenement. The roof of the oil is being
raised 2 feet. The house will be
shingled and painted in the spring, if
not this fall.

The ladies of Harry Rust W. R. C.,
will hold their annual fair and apron
sale, Nov. 15, afternoon and evening.
Among the attractions will be fancy
articles, fish pond, miscellaneous food
and bundle tables. They will serve
supper at 5.30 o'clock. All members
are requested to contribute to the sev-
eral tables and bring food.

John A. Woodman has had a new
dog "Julia." She is of the Dachsund
variety and Boston bred, and came to
Mr. Woodman through J. F. Bolster.
She reminds one of the late lamented
Nixie, though much smaller in size.
She has the same elongated look. Mr.
Woodman after deliberation concluded
not to keep another dog.

Mrs. Douglass Farrar entertained her
friend, Lena Edwards of Bridgton, a
few days recently.

G. W. Andrews has moved from W.
E. Perkins' rent to the house of Mrs.
Harding on Beal street.

Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge will serve
a harvest dinner to the public in G.
A. R. hall in the near future.

The schools have adopted the method
of having no recess and letting out
earlier at night much to the satisfac-
tion of all.

Thomas Jackson of Portland visited
relatives in town recently. He is in the
store of E. H. Haggett but still keeps
his old home farm in Otisfield. He has
not been in Norway for eight years.

Ernest Vancour has moved from J.
T. Rowe's house on Beal street into
the Perkins place on Hazen street. Mr.
Rowe is having his house painted and
papered. Fred Wentzel is moving in.

John Shepard and Chas. Bradley re-
turned last Wednesday from a trip to
Boston and Lynn, where they had
spent a week looking over the different
methods used in various shoe factories
of those cities.

The Norway band have hired the
room over E. F. Bicknell's store, for-
merly occupied by the Norway & West-
ern Railroad as an office. They will
use this for the meetings of the band
and as a club room.

Mrs. L. I. Gilbert and her mother,
Mrs. Mattie Packard, were in Lewiston
last week to visit Mrs. Gilbert's
sister, Mrs. Lena Gray of Livermore
Falls, who is at the Central Maine Gen-
eral hospital for treatment for ap-
pendicitis.

Charles G. Knight has had his house
on Beal street occupied by Montelle
Bradbury painted and shingled. Others
who are painting and repairing their
houses are F. E. Tower, Mrs. Darius
Fuller and Margaret and Jennie Baker.

Mrs. Louise J. Briggs has been visit-
ing relatives in Portland.

One evening last week, Grace Dud-
ley entertained at her home on Church
street a few of her friends at a lunch
party. Refreshments were served.

George O. Chase, who recently sold
his farm in the Whittemore district to
Capt. W. W. Kimball of the United
States Navy, has purchased the farm
of Archie Curtis in Sumner and ex-
pects to move there soon.

George A. Abbott and family have
moved into the rent on the second floor
of the Howe store recently put in
shape by A. D. Park. Mr. and Mrs.
Danis Dresser will move into the house
on the Hebron road vacated by the
Abbotts.

Last Thursday evening the Baldwin
Men's class served a banquet in the
vestry of the Congregational church to
its members and a few invited guests.
Arthur E. Clark went to Brompton-
ville, Que., last week, where he will
have charge of a new woodworking
plant, which is to be started for the
manufacture of several lines of goods
similar to those manufactured by the
Paris Manufacturing Company.

The South Paris Epworth League en-
tertained about forty members of the
Norway League at a social last Thurs-
day evening. In the autograph contest
which was held, Eva Muirhead carried
off the first prize. Refreshments of ice
cream and fancy crackers were served
and games played.

J. H. Brooks was in Lewiston re-
cently.

F. A. Shurtliff was in Portland on
day last week.

Howard Young has recently pur-
chased a furnace.

George Davis who has been ill for
some time, is improving.

Mrs. Jennie Howe of Hanover visited
at J. H. Beal's last Wednesday.

James S. Wright has been in Dover
on business for several days.

The village schools will have a
week's vacation, Thanksgiving week.

Al Morse was in New Hampshire
last week, giving readings.

A. C. Jones, who has been confined
to the house for some time is a little
better.

George Tucker has put the fountain
in the square, in readiness for the win-
ter.

Mrs. C. O. Corbett has been visiting
her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Sturtevant,
for a few days.

L. L. Powers, E. McArdle, W. P.
Morton and several others attended
the meeting of the Shriners at Portland
last Friday.

Duffy, who was arrested recently for
entering several houses in this vicinity,
has been examined and pronounced in-
sane and will be taken to the Maine
Hospital at Augusta.

BRYANT'S POND.

C. L. Heath was in Pownal last Fri-
day, on business.

Fred Whitman has returned from a
trip to Cupsuptic.

George Swan is working for the
Grand Trunk at West Paris.

Eugene Haynes of Milton is doing
carpenter work for A. M. Chase.

Archie Felt was in Portland last Fri-
day to attend a ceremonial session of
Kora Temple.

Mrs. L. B. Stephens and Mrs. Annie
Day have been visiting Dr. C. E.
Rankins at Mechanic Falls.

C. F. Farrar is making repairs around
the hotel, and putting in new steps at
the corner of the piazza.

Susie A. Merrill of Wilton has been
visiting Mrs. Alice Farrar and called
on other friends.

D. A. Cole of R. F. D. No. 1 is taking
a vacation. Ned L. Swan is substitut-
ing for him.

Mrs. Diantha Edwards, Mrs. Estelle
Ford and Ethel Ford visited A. M.
Chase, recently.

Mrs. George Cummings is sick with
the grip. Very severe cases of bad
colds are prevailing.

Mr. and Mrs. Elden Row of Rum-
ford Falls visited her sister, Mrs. M.
M. Hathaway last week.

The spool factory has started up
again. New work has come in and the
prospects are for a good run.

A new pipe is being laid from the
Grand Trunk spring through the course
of the old aqueduct and the water
will be taken into the houses of James
Gorman and Geo. H. Cummings.

The chimney on the Baptist meeting-
house is being rebuilt.

Alton Bacon is clappingboard Albert
Felt's barn.

Ralph Bacon and Leon Martin have
been having the measles but are able
to be out again.

Walter Emmons has brought running
water into his house. John Howe is
also putting in an aqueduct.

SOUTH PARIS.

Mrs. Lila Woodbury has gone to
Portland to spend the winter.

The Seneca Club met on Monday
evening with Mrs. Frank Shurtliff.

Eunice Forbes, who has been teach-
ing in Wakefield, Mass., is at home.

A series of religious services will be
held at the Universalist church the
second week in December in which the
other churches have been invited to
take part.

Mrs. W. O. Frothingham went to
Lewiston the first of the week and
brought home her daughter, Lena
Leighton, who has been in the hospital
for treatment.

Mrs. Alfred H. Jackson and daugh-
ter, Nellie, are spending several weeks
with relatives in Boston.

Catherine Briggs has returned home
from Poland Springs. She has been ill
and will remain at home for a while.

Walter Maxim is painting his house.
James S. Wright has returned from
a business trip to Andover.

George Davis, who has been ill, is
improving.

Myron W. Maxim is having the store
in Maxim block formerly occupied by
J. B. Tapley as a furniture store, re-
paired, and will move his stock in soon.

H. D. Field and family have moved
into a rent at Mrs. E. M. Millett's
house on High street.

Howard Shaw went to Lewiston to
attend the Bates-U. of M. football
game.

Mrs. Wirt Stanley, who has been
very ill, is improving.

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stores, see Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olm-
sted, Le Roy, N. Y.

NEWRY.

They are painting the church at
Newry and it has long needed it.

Buffis Cole has taken his young
baffer to W. A. Foster's for the winter.

H. S. Hastings has a fine flock of
turkeys getting ready for Thanksgiv-
ing.

The snow of last Friday night was
quite a surprise to some in town, al-
though a very few were prepared for it.

Mrs. N. S. Baker has been quite
poorly for a few days.

Mrs. John Carleton has been to
Newry for a few days. They have de-
cided to remain at West Bethel for the
winter.

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THURSDAY, NOV. 15, 1906.

TWO PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICANS IN OXFORD COUNTY.

"The people, if they ever had sovereignty, have lost it or willingly give it up. This centralization of power, without any power in the people to correct errors, is a standing menace to the people and their right of self-government. The people should never delegate any power without the power of recovering it being expressly reserved in the grant of power. If the people had the right to regain or exercise their own sovereignty, they probably would never need to do so, but not having it, party boss interests, party interests, monied interests, official interests, corporation and other powerful interests and the 'Lobby' interests, either by becoming members of the Legislature or by coercing the members of the Legislature or otherwise, will gradually rob the State of its lands and control of its water courses and the people of their rights, privileges, and immunities whether inherent, statutory or constitutional. And if the people complain, what will they do about it? There is no redress and there is sufficient power for coercion. What then shall we do? We should return the sovereignty to the people, or at least enough to protect them. I have no specific to offer for the cure of evil, but it seems that the Initiative and Referendum is the only remedy now in sight."

The above is quoted from an exceedingly well reasoned and written article, by Judge G. Willard Johnson of Rumford, and printed in the Lewiston Journal Nov. 7.

September 1st Representative-elect, Elwin C. Gleason of Mexico had an able article in the same paper, advocating primary caucus laws, and other methods of giving the people absolute control of the means of nominating candidates for office.

These two gentlemen are Republicans, and judging by their views as expressed in these articles are entitled to be called progressive Republicans; for these measures are opposed by many leading Republicans of the machine variety, as they are termed by the Journal.

Don A. H. Powers and Hon. F. A. Allen who are chiefly mentioned as the presiding officers to be of the House and Senate this winter, are against the initiative and referendum. The platform of both the Republican and Democratic parties declared in favor of that plan, but often platform declarations are for form only.

We do not care which party a good measure is obtained from, and are bound to support the men who favor measures in the interest of the people.

The initiative and referendum, as well as many other excellent laws have been in operation in Switzerland for nearly forty years. In the United States the Socialist party began to agitate for the plan about twelve years ago, and it has been a cardinal principle with them ever since. Any one familiar with Socialistic literature would suppose both Mr. Gleason's and Judge Johnson's articles to have been written by avowed Socialists, if the articles had been unsigned.

Judge Johnson goes even farther than the more conservative Socialists, for he doubts that the people ever had any real power in law making. Now that he has raised the question, it will be well to remind ourselves that the so-

vention which reported our present Constitution for ratification by the states, was dominated by men whose confidence in the common people was limited to a belief in their good qualities as soldiers and "hewers of wood and drawers of water."

As a result, the nearest to popular government we got, was the system of electing representatives by popular vote. Judge Johnson thinks it is very uncertain whether that is a means by which popular will can be truly expressed. Our electoral system has several times put a minority candidate in the presidential chair. Yet both parties have sky-rocketed it for our grand old constitution and hurled anathemas at all who dared breathe a word against the great "Magna Charta."

Andrew Jackson and Abraham Lincoln, sort of laws unto themselves and every one else, men, road rough shod over the constitution if it stood in the way of what they deemed right. The timid anarchist has, from some obscure hiding place stuck his head out and made faces at the document, and then ran for his life with a policeman in hot pursuit.

The Socialists have been shouting from the house tops the charge that the people had lost their rights. They attracted attention enough to get stones thrown at them by both old parties, but very few votes!

With the exception of these instances the constitution has been held sacred, until now when we find two leading Republicans of Oxford county impeaching, one our political system, and the other both the system and the constitution, and in language as radical as any reformer ever used, although both gentlemen deny being reformers. As may be gathered from our opening paragraphs, we do not say this to reproach the gentlemen, for we are in sympathy, but feel like placing them in the position they by right should be—in the ranks of reformers.

THE ATTACKS UPON HEARST.

The persistency with which both Republican and Democratic papers in Maine slander William R. Hearst, indicates a woeful lack of understanding. It is largely owing to Hearst that public sentiment has been aroused against such gigantic abuses as the Beef Trust, the Gas combines, and grafting in general, including such official grafters as Democratic ex-mayor Van Wyck of New York.

His open war upon race track gambling, and whiskey drinking made enemies of the gambling and saloon elements in New York, and his opposition to the Democratic Mayor McClellan, arrayed against him a great part of the Tammany vote. In fact, he had against him the worst element in the Democratic party in New York.

He was first nominated as an Independent, and while later nominated by the Democrats, did not truckle to Tammany, but adhered to his independent principles, and fought a good fight against the most popular Republican in the state. Why can not both Republicans and Democrats show appreciation of principle, and speak respectfully of a good man and a good fighter?

NO NEW PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

No two papers agree upon the significance of the results of the November elections. In a count of the popular vote the Democratic party made substantial gains, but as that was expected, it amounts to no more than keeping that party on fighting ground, and making a victory in the next presidential election possible.

There were so many undercurrents in the different states that in very few states does the vote give a true indication of the

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strength of either party. It seems that the parties are nearly equal in strength in New York, and that the Republicans are gaining ground in West Virginia and also Kentucky, while the Democrats have gained in Rhode Island and New Hampshire, and some in the middle west. The elections have created no new Republican presidential possibilities, and have not entirely eliminated Hearst as a possible candidate for the Democratic nomination.

"Mrs. F. B. Averill, wife of the editor of the Sanford (Me.) Tribune, will shortly come into possession of a legacy of more than \$100,000 through the death of a wealthy aunt in Wisconsin.—Press and Printer. We offer hearty congratulations upon this accession to fortune."—Springvale Advocate.

Knowing both Mr. and Mrs. Averill, we can say that they are deserving of the wealth that is assured them. Mr. Averill has worked hard to build up his paper, and has been ably assisted by Mrs. Averill.

The Bridgton News takes an honest position on the resubmission question. We admire honesty and adherence to a principle believed in, whether it is good or bad policy. The News is anti-resubmission, first, last and all the time. Its faith, however, in the anti-resubmission professions of Don A. H. Powers is child-like in its simplicity, and jars one's confidence in the judgment of the News.

HITS US A GENTLE RAP.

A Norwegian Gives Some Interesting Information Concerning the Land of the Midnight Sun.

Mr. Carl C. Peterson of Christiana, Norway, an educated native of that country, who left there Oct. 13, was registered at the hotel at Rumford Falls Sunday. The Citizen man interviewed him, and learned several interesting things about that snow bound and midnight sun land. His explanation of the great racing qualities of the reindeer was interesting and attracted the attention of several men at the house, who thought they owned pretty fast horses.

After learning that a reindeer can trot a mile in about 1.40, they even began to have less respect for automobiles. Mr. Peterson says the reindeer is always driven singly. The popular pictures that show the team in double hitch is imaginary like the old fellow who drives them. The animals will not drive together either in span or tandem style.

Mr. Peterson aroused the envy of some who talked with him by saying that he had, at home, an offer for coat that cost only \$40. The same style of garment in the United States cannot be bought for less than several hundred dollars. The duty is 50 per cent, ad valorem on coats and caps. It being suggested that there might be a difference in the quality of the fur, Mr. Peterson was shown an older fur garment. He said the fur in Norway was finer and blacker, and as well as he could judge of better quality.

Being asked what he thought of our liquor system, Mr. Peterson innocently raised a laugh by saying, "You don't have any system." He also hit

this country a hard rap, by observing that the roads here were similar to the paths running through his farm in Norway.

Being further questioned about the system of selling liquor in Norway, he explained that the so-called "Norwegian system," editorially referred to last week, has been modified, and is now a regular license system, the price of a license varying from \$3000 to small sums, according to location and kind of business. The saloons are all closed on one o'clock Saturday p. m., and are not opened again until eight o'clock Monday morning. There are no bars, liquor being served as food is served in this country. One must set at a table, and order from an attendant as he would a dinner. The officers of the law are not being dependent upon favor of either the sellers or drinkers, sees that the laws are strictly enforced. With them yes, means yes, and no, means no. The dealers know that and no more dare to serve liquor to an intoxicated person than to break any other law.

Mr. Peterson gives the American and English sailors rather a hard rap, by saying that, excepting what he calls "professional drunkards," the sailors from America and England are about the only persons who get intoxicated in Norway. He, however, explains that, partially, by saying that the liquor in general use there is much stronger than in countries farther south, and a smaller amount serves to make a man drunk. Mr. Peterson has never visited America before, but has spent two years in England, where he acquired a very good English pronunciation. English is taught in the public schools of Norway and Sweden.

DIXFIELD.

Mr. Paul Paradise announces the engagement of his daughter, Josie Anna, to Mr. Philip Lassard of Rumford. Mr. Lassard has held the position of clerk in Stanley Biele's hardware store for five years.

Mr. H. M. Daniels, pastor of the Universalist church, and his mother, Mrs. Daniels, entertained a party of 20 young people, Thursday evening. During the evening games were played, songs sung and refreshments served. All went home declaring Mr. Daniels and his mother an admirable host and hostess.

The central office of the New England Telephone Company is being changed from Barrett & Kidder's store at Penn Center, to Harlow block.

John Harlow has sold his house on Main street to Charles Towle, who will make extensive repairs in the spring.

The Young People's Union will meet with Ray Billington next Saturday evening.

Mr. H. B. Luce has sold his milk route to Orlando Babb.

Mr. S. W. Harris, representing Macmillan Book Company, was in town last week.

Mrs. George Walters and son, Ted, have returned from New York, where they have been visiting.

Mr. Andrew Marsh is making extensive repairs upon his house.

Mr. Martin Morrell of Gray spent Sunday with Mr. Henry Thayer.

Burton Murdoch and Charles Smith are at Wells on a hunting trip.

Mr. F. A. Lamb will soon move his family to Peru.

Mrs. Will Waite, Miss Ethel Towle, Edna Edmonds and Mary Stowell went to Lewiston last Saturday.

H. B. Luce has purchased a driving horse.

The Mandolin Club met with Mrs. Morris Keith last Saturday afternoon. Hildreth Staples shot a deer at Webb River Falls, Saturday.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
Dignate what you eat.**THE PRESIDENTIAL QUESTION SETTLED.**

At the last regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church, a board of presidents was elected, two ladies serving as presidents each month. This scheme has been tried successfully in other towns in the county and the outcome of the plan as tried in this church will be watched with interest. The following ladies comprise the board for the next six months. Mrs. Rolfe and Mrs. Kendall for November, Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. Day for December, Mrs. Woodman and Mrs. Goding for January, Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Parker for February, Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Morse for March, Mrs. Burditt and Mrs. Ames for April. With all of these capable ladies acting as presidents, there is no doubt but that the winter's "campaign" will be vigorous, profitable and entertaining.

SUED FOR SEPARATE MAINTENANCE.

A case of considerable interest was tried last week in the Municipal court. Mrs. Antora Bousaloni petitioned the court for separate maintenance under the statute that provides that a wife may petition the court to compel a husband to support her and her children. This was a case where a French girl had married an Italian, and as she alleged, lived happily until the husband's parents began to interfere. She was a frail and honest looking woman, and her story told, part of the time with tears in her eyes, had the tone of truthfulness in it, and Judge Johnson ordered the husband to pay to the wife \$2.50 each week for herself, and \$1.50 each week for the one child that had been born to the couple. McCarthy appeared for the plaintiff and Swasey for the defendant.

Not All Alike. Enthusiastic Golfer.—When you know that a man is a devotee of golf, you can be absolutely certain of his mental caliber and be assured—
Plain Man—Oh, come, I wouldn't say that. I don't doubt that some men play golf who are really quite sensible.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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GRAND VOTING CONTEST.

Three Diamond Rings To Be Given Away in the Citizen's Voting Contest to End December 22.

The Citizen has determined to give three Genuine Diamond Rings to the Oxford county ladies who get the largest number of votes in their class before the above date.

Class A includes Rumford Falls, Class B includes Mexico and Ridgeville.
Class C includes all towns in Oxford county not included in classes A and B.

BASIS OF VOTING.
Each Copy of the Citizen will contain a coupon which deposited at the Citizen office on or before December 22, 1906, at 8 p. m. will count 1 vote. Each dollar paid on subscriptions to the Citizen will count 100 votes. Each dollar paid for advertising in the Citizen will count 25 votes. Each dollar paid to the Citizen for job work will count 25 votes.

CONDITIONS.
1. A person to be voted for must reside in her class district, but a person entitled to vote may cast them for a contestant in any class.
2. Positively no votes will be counted unless the money is paid in. Plans do not ask us to depart from this condition.
3. Votes once credited to one contestant cannot be transferred to another.
4. This contest is on condition that at least two contestants enter each class and that active work for each be continued to the end.—The right to call off the contest in either class at any time providing this condition is not met is reserved.

These rings are genuine diamond rings ordered especially for this contest by local dealers and may be seen in their show windows.
During this contest the Citizen will be furnished for \$1.00 per year.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

Class A.
Mrs. Jennie Blanchard, 225
Abbie E. Perry, 275
Class C.
Olive E. Keene, Dixfield, 125
Mrs. E. S. Milton, Andover, 125
Mrs. Nellie V. Leslie, Andover, 45

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Thanksgiving Supplies

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You'll barely have time to get things in complete readiness for that good old event that is so dear to all New Englanders, and when steaming puddings, the fatted fowl, pumpkin pie, "Same's Mother Made," make us all feel that after all said and done we've not been treated half bad. And how much better it all is if you can have your table look nice. Pretty Linens and Dainty Dishes is half a dinner.

Here Are Hints For The Housekeeper.

Superb Showing of Table Linens

Beautiful Designs, Standard Qualities

Napkins to Match Most of them.

It is not economy to buy linens because they are pretty. It is not always satisfactory to buy linens that have only quality in their favor. But economy and satisfaction go hand in hand when you buy linens that are both beautiful and of excellent quality. You get that kind at Day's. We are going to tell you about our line with napkins to match.

AT .75 all linen damask, 72 in. wide, rose pattern, excellent quality. Napkins to match.

AT .98 table damask of Pure Irish linen in Lily of the Valley, Wheat and Thistle design, very distinctive. Napkins to match.

AT \$1.25 72 in. table linen in handsome Lily of the Valley pattern, excellent finish, good weight. Napkins to match.

AT \$1.39 extra quality all pure linen damask, beautiful rose and chrysanthemum designs. Napkins to match.

AT \$1.49 fine damask, German finish, 72 in. wide, handsome fern patterns, deep border. Napkins to match.

AT \$1.62 extremely beautiful table damask, thistle design, 72 in., German finish. Napkins to match.

AT \$1.75 German table damask, all pure linen, in handsome morning glory design. Napkins to match.

AT \$2.00 72 in. all linen damask, German finish, a beautiful design of tulips. Napkins to match.

Some Other Interesting Linen News.

Mercerized Cotton Damask, 63 in. wide in beautiful design, holds its lustre after being laundered, at 50c per yard.
Pure all Linen Table Damask, 68 in. wide in good assortment of patterns at 49c per yard.
72 in. Table Damask made of pure Irish linen in floral design for 75c per yard.

These Crashes Priced Low.

14 in. unbleached crash, all linen, 10c; worth 12c.

18 in. bleached Steven's all linen crash 12 1-2c.

20 in. bleached all linen crash 14c.

18 in. Barnsley crash, blue border, all linen, soft and durable, 10c; worth 12 1-2c.

17 in. bleached all linen crash, fast red border, per yd. 10c.

18 in. all linen Russia crash, bleached, no border, excellent for dish wipers and roller towels 12 1-2c.

18 in. bleached all linen crash, fast red border, per yd. 12 1-2c.

Turkish Towels.

Small bath Towels with fringe, 12x27 in. 5c each

Hemmed and fringed bath Towels, 19x38 in. 15c.

2 1-2 25c.

Bleached bath towels 23x 17 in., each 25c.

Unbleached bath towels 44x 20 in. 15c, 2 for 25c.

Bleached linen bath towels, 21x44 in., 49c each.

Bleached linen bath towels, 23x47 in., 87c each.

Arabian and Turkish bath towels, 20x39 in., 49c each.

Arabian and Turkish bath towels, 21x44 in., 75c each.

Arabian and Turkish bath towels, 26x50 in., 98c each.

Opening Display of Japanese Ware.

During the coming week we shall give you the first glimpse of the many attractions that we are preparing for the Holiday season. About one-third of the entire basement department will be devoted to a special display of fine Japanese China and Porcelain, Baskets and Novelties.

It would be impossible to describe the many varied lines of dainty china that have come to us away around the world from the land of the Mikado and that will be artistically and conveniently displayed for your inspection during the coming week.

Articles that are plain and gay, cheap and expensive, for all tastes and all purses, are here to receive you at this Japanese opening. May we not have the pleasure of your company?

Handsome Lunch Cloths 75c to \$2.75.

Plain hemstitched lunch cloths 29x29 75c.

Hand embroidered lunch cloths 31x31 98c.

Hand embroidered hemstitched lunch cloths 29x29 \$1.25.

Lunch cloths with corners finished with drawn work and hand embroidery. 30x30, each \$1.98.

Others at \$2.49 and \$2.75.

Face cloths, Turkish or Jersey. Each 5c

Towels Of Quality And Beauty.

Here is a stock of all linen towels of superior quality. It is worth your careful study. Hemstitched all linen Huck towels, 20x19, wear forever, each 25c.

Damask towels, all linen, very pretty designs, 19 x39 in., price 25c.

Fringed towels 20x36. all linen, each 25c.

Hemstitched damask towels, all linen, 20x40, good assortment of handsome patterns. Price each 39c.

Very good assortment of all linen towels in pleasing designs, finished with hemstitching and Mexican work at 49c.

Other beauties at 75, 87, 98c and \$1.25.

Standard Oil Cloths in popular colors, marble and white, 30c.

Gloss Linen.

We have a full line of red and blue checked gloss linen at 10c and 12 1-2c.

Tray Cloths.

Plain linen hemstitched tray cloths, 27x17 in., 15, 19 and 25c.

Linen Damask tray cloths, 30x20, 25c.

Hemstitched tray cloths finished with drawn work each 33c.

Handsome linen hemstitched tray cloths finished with hand embroidery and drawn work, each 39c.

LOCAL and PERSONAL ITEMS.

W. I. White was in Ogunquit over Sunday.

Robby Morrison of the U. of M. spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Theodore Hawley has returned from a visit in New York.

Guy Hemingway shot a 152 pound deer at Rumford Center last Saturday.

Arthur Cushman dined with the family of H. O. Burdett last Sunday.

Frank J. Rigby was called to Newburg Monday because of the serious illness of his mother.

Mrs. Eleanor Morse of North Jay arrived Wednesday to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Milford W. Sanders.

The new electric light service on Lincoln Ave., which was installed last week, is much more satisfactory than the old lights.

L. F. Moulton, H. E. Worthley and Eugene Davis were among those who took advantage of Monday's snow fall, to go hunting.

Tonight, (Thursday) the Ladies' Aid Society of the Universalist church are to give a chicken pie supper in the church vestry.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rowe are spending several weeks in Livermore Falls before going to Waltham, Mass., where they will reside in the future.

Miss Marcia Coburn expects to start for Oklahoma next Tuesday, and will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Childs.

E. R. Rutter of Waltham, Mass., a guest of Rev. F. A. Martin, Rumford Falls, went up to the Lakes this week and shot a large deer.

Miss Ivah Gardiner of Buckfield visited Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Atwood this week, and attended the ball given by the Rumford Falls Band Friday night.

Rev. G. A. Martin of the Methodist church and Rev. Theodore Lyman Frost of the Baptist church, will exchange pulpits next Sunday.

Encouraging reports are heard from Mrs. Harry Banlett, who is in St. Barnabas hospital, Portland, undergoing treatment for her wrist.

Rev. G. B. Hannaford will preach Sunday in the Baptist church in Mexico instead of Mrs. M. S. Howes of Mechanic Falls as stated in the Mexico local column.

Mrs. Everett K. Day will go to Hallowell, Me., Saturday, to remain over Thanksgiving, where she will be joined by Mr. Day on his return from a business trip to New York.

Police officer, L. D. Merrill, is off this week on a hunting trip in the Rangley Lakes region. It is likely that no fake newspaper clipping will cause him trouble upon his return from this trip, as was the case upon his return from a trip to Paris. Some time we shall tell the story of that affair. Not yet, but soon. He was accompanied on his hunting trip by officer John Violett.

It was reported that two deer had been shot by some well known Rumford Falls hunters, but some doubt has been created by the report that a farmer from the Lake regions is seeking to locate two Rumford Falls hunters, so that he may collect the price of two cows that are said to have been shot.

A. E. Morrison was in Lewiston last Saturday.

Everett K. Day and wife returned from Portland, Monday.

Judge Herrick of Bethel held Probate court at Rumford Falls Tuesday.

Lester Virgin has taken a position in the store of Stanley Blaboe and is going to learn the business.

Mrs. George A. Ames returned this week from a ten days' trip to Boston and other Massachusetts places.

Mr. Frank Anderson, representing G. F. Anderson, dealer in engine supplies, made the Citizen a pleasant call last week. This was his first trip to Rumford Falls.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Webber will be at home at No. 7 Knox street, corner of Franklin, in the M. W. Sanders' house the first of next week, instead of at No. 127 Penobscot street.

Mrs. Allen, General Organizer for the Home Missionary Society, will give a lecture Thursday evening at the prayer meeting in the Methodist church. Mrs. Allen is a very pleasing speaker and her subject is sure to be interesting.

O. J. Gonyea, who was in Berlin last week, enjoyed an automobile ride to Rumford Falls from there. Mr. W. R. Brown of the Berlin mills company invited him to make the trip. Mr. Brown has a 45 horse power machine, and over muddy roads made the trip in less than three hours.

Rev. H. M. Daniels of Dixfield delivered a lecture in the Universalist church Sunday night to a large audience, considering the stormy weather. His subject was, "Hope," and dealt largely with the great changes going on in social and economic affairs. He saw a larger hope for the common people.

Mr. Rich, the photographer, has received from a man in Vermont, a model of an elevator that is a very good piece of mechanism. It is so constructed that the door can not open until the elevator has come to a full stop; it then opens automatically. The idea is to avoid accidents that are of frequent occurrence because of open elevator doors. It is an ingenious device.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will serve a supper in the vestry of the church Tuesday evening, Nov. 20th. The menu will consist of baked and mashed potatoes, cold meats, salads, cream puffs and other fancy pastry and coffee. The committee in charge of the supper is Mrs. Kendall, Mrs. Rolfe, Mrs. Randall, Mrs. Ralph Woodsum, Mrs. James Morse and Mrs. Allen. The ladies will also have an apron table where aprons of all sizes and fashions will be on sale.

An interesting church event takes place this week at Livermore Falls, when Mr. Joseph Parillo, the Italian missionary of this town, will be placed over an Italian church. The church will be made up of Italians from Rumford Falls, Livermore Falls and other places in the state. This is a movement of far reaching importance both for the Italians and the state. It speaks well for the future of foreign population. When these men enter into citizenship and become a part of the body politic, educated in our schools, trained in town institutions, enrolled in our churches, then the future of immigration is bright with promise; then will our people give generously for the cause of missions. Success to Mr. Parillo and his church of his fellow-countrymen.

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The best treatment for indigestion and troubles of the stomach is to rest the stomach. It can be rested by starvation or by the use of a good digestant which will digest the food eaten, thus taking the work off the stomach. At the proper temperature, a single teaspoonful of Kodol will wholly digest and absorb all the food. It relieves the present annoyance, puts the stomach in shape to satisfactorily perform its functions. Good for indigestion, sour stomach, flatulence, palpitation of the heart and dyspepsia. Kodol is made in strict conformity with the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Druggists and Grocers.

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Mr. McKins (to employer)—No, sir, I don't think there's anything unreasonable in my asking for an increase of my salary. You may remember you promised me a rise when I had been with you a year.

Employer—I know I did, but, hang it all, didn't I make it conditional upon your giving me every satisfaction?

Mr. McKins—And in what way, sir, haven't I given you satisfaction?

Employer (furiously)—Satisfaction, indeed! D'you call bothering me for more wages giving me every satisfaction, eh?

Just For Luck.

Although his daughter was to wed Pa disapproved the match, insisting that the Johnny was decidedly no catch.

Each argument his daughter raised, With irony he met it; "Don't ask for my approval, dear," He said, "for you won't get it."

"You'll wish us joy?" "I won't," he said, And to his word he stuck;

"But, pa, just say you'll throw an old boot after us for luck!"

"I don't mind that, for long ago I really should have tried it; I'll throw a big boot after him, And keep my foot inside it."

"For years I starved, then I bought a 50 cent bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, and what that bottle benefited me all the gold in Georgia could not buy. I kept on taking it and in two months I went back to my work as machinist. In three months I was as well and hearty as I ever was. I still use a little occasionally as I find it a fine blood purifier and a good tonic. May you live long and prosper."—C. N. Cornell, Kodol, Ga., Aug. 27, 1906. Kodol is sold here by Druggists and Grocers.

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our family for over forty years, and I will
also add that it cured me of the sick head-
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Yours truly, Mrs. F. S. Bennett.
You won't need to miss a day's work
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MEXICO AND RIDLONVILLE.

The Week's News as Gathered by our Special Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Leckey and
son, Wirt, visited friends in Smith's
Crossing last Sunday.

Mrs. Alphonso Perry has been very
sick since last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lyford of Liver-
more Falls are guests of L. H. Mc-
Collister and wife this week.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Con-
gregational church held a special meet-
ing Tuesday afternoon at the home of
the president, Mrs. A. B. Parsons. The
society will meet each week to sew
for the fair that is to be held early in
December.

Reuben Vaughn has recently pur-
chased the house on lower Granite street,
known as the Seaman house, and has
taken possession of it.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Uni-
versalist church has decided to hold
its annual fair the 5th and 6th of
December. Remembering the very
successful fairs and the elaborate decora-
tions that characterized them the past
few years, it is expected that the fair
this year will also be a very enjoyable
and profitable one.

Mrs. Leon M. Small, Mrs. B. W.
Goodwin, Mrs. Bert Davis and Miss
Florence Hodgdon were among those
who attended the meeting of the
Eastern Star in Dixfield Monday night.
The District Deputy from Waterville
inspected the work of the degree team
and after the business of the meeting
was concluded, refreshments were
served and a social time enjoyed.

Rev. A. G. Warner was in Lewiston
over Sunday and attended the game
of football between the University of
Maine and Bates College teams.

The Ladies' Circle of the Baptist
church will meet at the home of Mrs.
E. P. Goodwin, Wednesday afternoon,
Nov. 21st. This will probably be the
last time Mrs. Goodwin will meet in
the circle this winter as they leave
for Southern Pines very soon.

Norman McLeod is recovering from
his illness.

Mrs. Charles Keyo's mother, who
has been spending the week with her,
has returned to her home in Andover.

Mrs. M. S. Howes of Mechanic Falls
preached at the Baptist church last
Sunday instead of Mr. Howes, who was
unable to come. Mrs. Howes was en-
tertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. P.
Goodwin.

Mrs. W. G. McCormick went to Can-
ton Saturday to meet her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. John V. Young of South
Livermore, who are to spend the win-
ter with her. Mr. and Mrs. McCormick
have rented the upper tenement in the
Keeman house on Granite street.

Mrs. George A. Bonney gave an in-
formal party Friday afternoon in honor
of her mother, Mrs. A. A. Dotter's 84th
birthday. The guests were Mrs. A. B.
Parsons, Mrs. H. J. Reynolds and Rev.
J. G. Fisher. The afternoon was a
very enjoyable one. Dainty refresh-
ments were served.

M. C. McLeod made a trip to Dixfield
Saturday and went to Andover, Byron
and Hanover early in the week, ad-
vertising for E. K. Day and G. A. Pea-
body Co's. Mr. McLeod expects to
carry advertising matter to the sur-
rounding towns for these companies
during the Christmas season.

J. M. Doyen and Joseph Haynes went
to their camp at Garland Pond Satur-
day, and spent several days hunting.

Mrs. Ripley's sister, who has been
caring for her during her sickness, re-
turned to her home in Andover last
Thursday.

H. B. Whitman was in Canton over
Sunday.

Richard Gille has moved his family
into the upper tenement of M. C.
McLeod's house on Main street.

The senior class of the High School
held a social Friday evening in Me-
chanic Hall. A short, but very en-
joyable program was given. Solos were
sung by Miss Hodgeson, Anna Mc-
Laughlin and Mary Brennick, and a
duet by Miss Payson and Mr. Warner.
A reading by Mr. Warner was another
pleasing number of the program. Re-
freshments of cocoa and cake were
served, followed by the playing of
various games. The proceeds are to
go toward the graduation expenses of
the class.

The teachers of the Kimball and
Central schools gave a party in honor
of Rev. A. G. Warner, Thursday even-
ing, at the home of Mr. Archie Pack-
ard on Granite street. A very pleasant
evening was passed in music and vari-
ous amusements, and dainty refresh-
ments were served.

The Mission Study Class met Mon-
day evening at the home of Mr. T. C.
Chaffee. The meeting was very inter-
esting and instructive.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gilbert enter-
tained friends from Canton this week.

The Christian Endeavor Society of
the Baptist church of Rumford Falls
has extended an invitation to the local
societies to join with them in a social
union meeting Friday evening.

Miss Eula Perkins has given up her
position in the Oxford mill.

B. P. Goodwin Bros. have installed
a steam heating plant for Archie
Packard.

The Ladies' Circle of the Baptist
church met with Mrs. L. H. McCollister
Wednesday afternoon.

Frank Herrick went to Houghton
Saturday for several days.

Mrs. James William and Mrs. Wil-
liam Constantine of Smithville called
on Mrs. George Leckey this week.

James Dermody, who burned his left
hand very badly on a steam pipe which
was charged with electricity from a
grounded wire, returned to work in the
O. P. Co.'s mill Monday, after an en-
forced vacation of two weeks.

The funeral of Ellen Roach, the
twelve year old daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. James Roach was held Thursday,
Nov. 8th. Interment was in Calvary
Cemetery, Portland. Mr. Roach re-
turned Friday and Mrs. Roach expects
to return within a few days.

Emil Gallant and party were deer
hunting Saturday.

Joseph Gony is quite sick again.

The New Century Pomona Grange
met with the Swift River Grange Wed-
nesday, and an excellent dinner was
served in the Congregational church
vestry.

L. D. Howard has built an addition
to his tenement house which is known
as the Kimball house.

Guy Rounds has been quite sick this
week.

Mr. George A. Brown of Carthage
and Mrs. Ida P. Dunning of Dixfield
were united in marriage Thursday,
Nov. 8, by Rev. A. G. Warner.

Mrs. L. H. McCollister attended the
Free Baptist Quarterly meeting at Can-
ton last Thursday.

Mrs. J. G. Fisher is expected home
from Lowell, Mass., this week.

William Goodwin, Walter L. Welch
and B. W. Goodwin were among the
deer hunters who took advantage of
the first fall of snow this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Acres and
family have been spending the week
with relatives in Andover.

Mrs. W. E. Hutchinson, who has
been in town on business for several
weeks, returned to her home in Can-
ton, Monday.

Harry Davis and son, Oscar, were
hunting near Half Moon Pond last Sat-
urday.

George Kidder's new steam laundry
building on Main street is nearly com-
pleted; the carpenters have been at
work on the inside finish this week.

Mr. Cox returned from a two weeks'
hunting trip in the Aroostook region,
Thursday, and brought with him a
large deer. Mr. Cox has quite an
enviable record as a moose hunter, but
brought home deer this fall instead of
moose.

The Citizen's League is preparing to
give the "Mock trial" in the near
future, and hope to present it early in
December. The cast of characters has
been selected with a great deal of care
and a very enjoyable performance is
anticipated by all those who know the
ability of the people who are to take
part in the play. The first rehearsal
was held Tuesday night.

Leon M. Small attended the football
game between U. of M. and Bates
teams in Lewiston last Saturday.

Mrs. Leon M. Small and daughter,
Clarice, have returned from Grey,
where they were the guests of Mrs.
Small's aunt, Mrs. J. W. French.

Herman Martinson was hunting near
Half Moon Pond Saturday.

John Woods is hunting at Oquossoc
this week.

After Sabbath school last Sunday
morning, Mrs. W. N. Hodgdon, Mrs. P.
A. Parsons and Mrs. B. W. Goodwin
were appointed a committee to take
charge of the children's Christmas
concert at the Congregational church.
The ability of each of these ladies in
such work is well known and a very
enjoyable concert is anticipated.

Uppan Kumin.

At the meeting of the literary club
last week, the unique name "Uppan
Kumin" was adopted. Each member
wrote a name appropriate for the so-
ciety on a slip of paper and dropped it
into a receptacle. The name on the
first paper drawn out was to be the
name of the society and "Uppan
Kumin" suggested by Mrs. D. E.
Dickey, met with general approval.

The following officers have been
elected:—President, Leon M. Small;
vice-president, Harold McInnes; sec-
retary, Miss Florence Hodgdon; treasurer,
Miss Ada Varney. Committee of By-
laws, Mrs. W. G. McCormick, Mrs. Wy-
lams, Mrs. J. G. Fisher and Miss
Lulu Matthews.

The meeting Wednesday, Nov. 7th,
was held with Miss Ida Fogg at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hall on
Whitman street. The program was as
follows: Music by Miss Payson and
Mr. Warner, roll call answered by

current events. A most vigorous debate
on the question, "Resolved that an
electric road between Bethel and Rum-
ford Falls would be a benefit to the
town," was given by T. C. Chaffee and
Sadie Abbott, affirmative, and Mrs. B.
W. Goodwin and Harold McInnes, nega-
tive. The debaters on the negative
side won by merit of their arguments,
presenting their side of the question
in a capable and convincing manner.
But all agreed, after the decision was
rendered, that the proposed road would
certainly be of great benefit to the
town.

A short business meeting followed,
and the By-laws prepared by the com-
mittee were accepted.

The meeting held Wednesday, Nov.
14th, at the home of Rev. J. G. Fisher,
was an evening with Whittier. The
roll call was responded to with current
events, followed by an excellent paper
on the life of Whittier. One of Whit-
tier's short poems was read by Miss
Ada Varney and a story by Miss
Matthews. Poems were also read by
Miss Edna Reynolds and Rev. A. G.
Warner.

The program for the winter was pre-
sented by the committee and accepted.
The society has nearly forty members
now, and it is still "Uppan Kumin."

THE IRON MAN

Installed in Postal Card Factory
at Rumford Falls.

A machine of wonderful mechanism
has recently been installed in the
postal card factory. The machine,
which Major Shook calls the Iron Man,
was made by C. D. Cottrell & Son of
Westerley, B. L., with the understand-
ing that if it does not prove success-
ful, they were to receive no pay for it.

The experimental work has been sat-
isfactory and there is no doubt but
that the machine will fulfill the re-
quirements, although it will not be ac-
cepted and put into commission until
an inspector has seen it in operation.
The inspector is expected to visit the
factory this week.

The work done by the iron man is
very interesting. There are numerous
iron hands and fingers doing the most
marvelous work; work that has always
been done by human hands. One pair
of hands picks up a large sheet of
card board and lifts it onto the press
where it is printed, the ink being sup-
plied from cylinders full of dye. An-
other pair of hands lifts it from the
press onto another surface, where it is
cut into strips and then it is passed

on, and these strips are cut into
postal cards.

The cards are then bound into
bundles of 25 each by girls who hold
the paper "stickers" in their mouth,
so moistening one end of the strip, so
that it is ready to adhere to the other
end of the strip which is covered with
mucilage.

The cards are then put into the
government vault and they are then
out of the care of the contractor and
in charge of the government. The em-
ployees or visitors are not allowed to
pick up a piece of the card board or
to touch the waste cards at all. The
penalty for stealing even one post card
is a long term of years in state prison.

The contractors are obliged to keep
eight days' supplies on hand in the
government vault. The actual
use of post cards by the government
is 2,000,000 per day, including Sun-
days. The plant turns out 2,500,000
cards daily. Tuesday, two car loads of
6,000,000 each, were shipped from the
factory.

The railroads are under heavy bonds
to carry the cards which are put into
the cars on which the government seal
is placed by Major Shook. If the rail-
road fails to safely deliver the cards
they are obliged to pay their face value
of one cent each.

The paper for the postal cards is
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RUMFORD FALLS,

THE MAN ON THE BOX

By HAROLD MacGRATH.

The summer preceding the action of this tale saw them at Dieppe. At one time he had recovered something between \$60,000 and \$70,000 of his losses. Ah, had he stopped then, confessed to his daughter, all would have gone well. But, no; he must win the entire sum. He lost, lost, lost. The crash came in August. But a corner of the vast Virginia estate was left, and this did not amount to \$20,000. Five francs carelessly tossed upon a roulette table had ruined and dishonored him. The angel of the pitch robes had fairly enveloped him now. The thought that he had gambled uselessly his daughter's legacy, the legacy which her mother had left confidently in his care, filled his soul with the bitterness of gall. And she continued the merry round of happiness, purchasing expensive garments, jewelry, furs, the little things which women love; gave dinners and teas and dances, considered herself an heiress, and thought the world a very pleasant place to live in. Every laugh from her was a thorn to him, the light of happiness in her eyes was a reproach, for he knew that she was dancing toward the precipice which he had dug for her.

Struggling futilely among these net-les of despair, he took the final step. His ruin became definitive.

One starlit night he met a distinguished young diplomat, rich and handsome. He played some, but to pass away the time rather than to court with fortune. He was lucky. The man who plays for the mere fun of it is generally lucky. He asks no favors from fortune, he does not pay any attention to her, and woman-like, she is plighted. He won heavily this night; my soldier lost correspondingly heavily. The diplomat pressed a loan upon his new-found friend, who, with his usual luck, lost it.

The diplomat was presented to the daughter. They owned to mutual acquaintances in Paris and Washington. The three attended the concert. The girl returned to the hotel bubbling with happiness and the echoes of enchanting melodies, for she was an accomplished musician. She retired and left the two men to their coffee and cigars. The conversation took several turns, and at length stopped at diplomacy. "It has always puzzled me," said the soldier, "how Russia finds out all she does."

"That is easily explained. Russia has the wisdom of the serpent. Here is a man who possesses a secret which Russia must have. They study him. If he is gallant, one day he meets a fascinating woman; if he is greedy, he turns to find a bowl of gold at his elbow; if he seeks power, Russia points out the shortest road."

"But her knowledge of foreign army and naval strength?"

"Money does all that. Russia possesses an accurate knowledge of every fort, ship and gun England boasts of; France, Germany, and Japan. We have never taken it into our heads to investigate America. Till recently your country was a foe to Russian interests and had dropped below the horizon. And now Russia finds that she must proceed to do what she had done to all other countries; that is, duplicate her rival's fortification plans, her total military and naval strength; and so forth, and so on. The United States is not an enemy, but there are possibilities of her becoming so. Some day she must wrest Cuba from Spain, and then she may become a recognized quantity in the Pacific."

"The Pacific?"

"Even so. Having taken Cuba, the United States, to protect her western coast, will be forced to occupy the Philippines; and having taken that archipelago, she becomes a menace to Russian territorial expansion in the far east. I do not always speak so frankly. But I wish you to see the necessity of knowing all about your coast defenses."

So far the American had only gained.

"It can not be done!"—spiritedly. "It can and will be done," smiling. "Despite the watchfulness of your officials, despite your secret service, despite all obstacles, Russia will quietly gain the required information. She possesses a key to every lock."

"And what might this key be?"

"Gold."

"But if the United States found out what Russia was doing, there might be war."

"Nothing of the kind. Russia would simply deny all knowledge. The man whom she selected to do the work would be discredited, banished, perhaps sent to Siberia, to rot in the mines. No, there would be no war. Russia would weigh all these possibilities in selecting her arm. She would choose a man of high intellect, rich, well-known in social circles, a linguist, a man acquainted with all histories and all phases of life, a diplomat, perhaps young and pleasing. You will say, why does he accept so base a task? When a Russian noble takes the oath in the presence of his czar, he becomes simply an arm; he no longer thinks, his master thinks for him. He only acts. So long as he offers his services without remuneration, his honor remains untouched, unassailed. A paid spy is the basest of all creatures."

"Count, take care that I do not warn

my country of Russia's purpose. You are telling me very strange things." The American eyed his companion sharply.

"Warn the United States? I tell you, it will not matter. All Russia would need would be a dissatisfied clerk. What could he not do with half a million francs?" The diplomat blew a cloud of smoke through his nostrils and flipped the end of his cigarette.

"A hundred thousand dollars?"

The diplomat glanced amusedly at his American friend. "I suppose that sounds small enough to you rich Americans. But to a clerk it reads wealth."

The American was silent. A terrible thought flashed through his brain, a thought that he repulsed almost immediately.

"Of course, I am only speculating; nothing has been done as yet."

"Then something is going to be done?" asked the American, clearing his voice.

"One day or another. If we can not find the clerk, we shall look higher. We should consider a million francs well invested. America is rapidly becoming a great power. But let us drop the subject and turn to something more agreeable to us both. Your daughter is charming. I honestly confess to you that I have not met her equal in any country. Pardon my presumption, but may I ask if she is engaged to be married?"

"Not to my knowledge,"—vastly surprised and at the same time pleased. "Are you averse to foreign alliances?" The diplomat dipped the end of his fresh-lighted cigar into his coffee.

"My dear count, I am not averse to foreign alliances, but I rather suspect that my daughter is. This aversion might be overcome, however."

What a vista was opened to this wretched father! If only she might marry riches, how easily he might confess what he had done, how easily all this despair and terror might be dispelled! And here was a man who was known in the great world, rich, young and handsome.

The other gazed dreamily at the ceiling; from there his gaze traveled about the coffee-room, with its gathering of coffee-drinkers, and at length came back to his vis-a-vis.

"You will return to Washington?" he asked.

"I shall live there for the winter; that is, I expect to."

"Doubtless we shall see each other this winter, then,"—and the count threw away his cigar, bade his companion good night, and went to his room.

How adroitly he had sown the seed! At that period he had no positive idea upon what kind of ground he had cast it. But he took that chance which all far-sighted men take, and then waited. There was little he had not learned about this handsome American with the beautiful daughter. How he had learned will always remain dark to me. My own opinion is that he had been studying him during his tenure of office in Washington, and, with that patience which is making Russia so formidable, waited for this opportunity.

I shall give the Russian all the justice of impartiality. When he saw the girl, he rather shrank from the affair. But he had gone too far, he had promised too much; to withdraw now meant his own defeat, his government's anger, his political oblivion. And there was a zest in this life of his. He could no more resist the call of intrigue than a gambler can resist the croupier's "Make your game, gentlemen!" I believe that he loved the girl the moment he set eyes upon her. Her beauty and bearing distinguished her from the other women he had met, and her personality was so engaging that her conquest of him was complete and spontaneous. How to win this girl and at the same time ruin her father was an embarrassing problem. The plan which finally came to him he repelled again and again, but at length he surrendered. To get the parent in his power and then to coerce the girl in case she refused him! To my knowledge this affair was the first dishonorable act of a very honorable man. But love makes fools and rogues of us all.

When the American returned to the world, his cigar was out and his coffee was stale and cold.

"A million francs!" he murmured. "Two hundred thousand!"

The seed had fallen on fruitful ground.

CHAPTER XVI.

THE PREVIOUS AFFAIR.

Mrs. Chadwick had completed her toilet and now stood smiling in a most friendly fashion at the reflection in the long oval mirror. She addressed this reflection in melodious tones.

"Madam, you are really handsome; and let no false modesty whisper in your ear that you are not. Few women in Washington have such clear skin, such firm flesh, such color. Thirty-eight? It is nothing. It is but the half-way post: one has left youth behind, but one has not reached old age. Time must be very tolerant, for he has given you a careful selection. There were no years of storm and poverty, of violent passions; and if I have truly loved, it has been you, only you. You are too wise and worldly to love any one but yourself. And yet, once you stood on the precipice of dark eyes, pale skin, and melancholy wrinkles. And even now, if he were to speak . . . Enough! Enough of this folly. I have something to accomplish to-night." She glided from the boudoir into the small but luxurious drawing-room which had often been graced by the most notable men and women in the country.

Marion threw aside the book of poems by De Banville, rose, and went forward to meet her.

"Madam,"—bending and brushing her hand with his lips, "Madam, you grow handsomer every day. If I were 40, now, I should fear for your single blessedness."

"Or, if I were two-and-twenty, instead of eight-and-thirty,"—beginning to draw on her long white gloves. There was a challenge in her smile.

"Well, yes; if you were two-and-twenty."

"There was a time not long ago," she said, drawing his gaze as a magnet draws a needle, "when the disparity in years was of no matter."

The count laughed. "That was three years ago; and if my memory serves me, you smiled."

"Perhaps I was first to smile; that is all."

"I observe a mental reservation,"—owlishly.

"I will put it plainly, then. I preferred to smile over your protestations rather than see you laugh over the possibility and the folly of my loving you."

"Then it was possible?"—with interest.

"Everything is possible . . . and often absurd."

"How do you know that I was not truly in love with you?"—narrowing his eyes.

"It is not explanatory; it can be given only one name—instinct, which in women and animals is more fully developed than in man. Besides, at that time you had not learned all about Colonel Annesley, whose guests we are to be this evening. Whoever would have imagined an Annesley? Count hath not thy rose a canker?"

"Madam!" Marion was frowning.

"Count, you look like a paladin when you scowl; but scowling never induces anything but wrinkles. We smile. But let us return to your query. Supposing I had accepted your declarations seriously; supposing you had offered me marriage in that burst of gratitude; supposing I had committed the folly of becoming a countess, what a position I should be in to-day!"

"I do not understand,"—perplexedly.

"No!"—shrugging. She held forth a gloved arm. "Have you forgotten how gallantly you used to button my gloves?"

"A thousand pardons! My mind was occupied with the mystery of your long supposition." He took the arm gracefully and proceeded to slip the pearl buttons through their holes. (Have you ever buttoned the gloves of a handsome woman? I have. And there is a subtle thrill about the proceeding which I can not quite define. Perhaps it is the nearness of physical beauty; perhaps it is the delicate scent of flowers; perhaps it is the touch of the cool, firm flesh; perhaps it is just romance.) The gaze which she bent upon his dark head was emotional; yet there was not the slightest tremor of arm or fingers. It is possible that she desired him to observe the steadiness of her nerves. "What did you mean?" he asked.

(To be Continued.)

A Man of Deeds.

"I know my rival has untold acres of real estate while I have nothing but the words in which I tell my love; but—"

"That will do, Mr. Slimpurse; I intend to marry a man of deeds, not of words."—Houston Post.

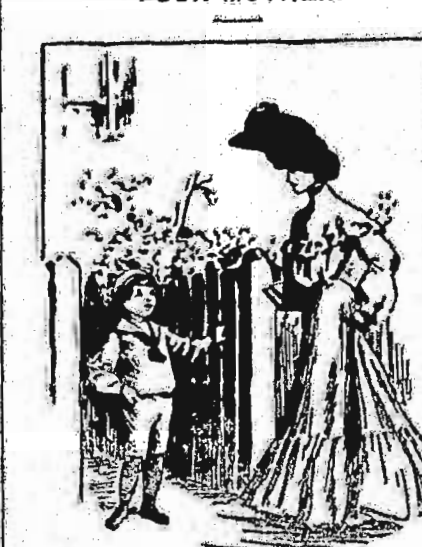
Not Romantic.

Mother—You shouldn't have laughed when Charlie was proposing. Dora—I couldn't help it, mother; he was so scared his teeth chattered. —Detroit Free Press.

Remuneration.

Knicker—How are your boys getting on? Bocker—One gets a five dollar salary and the other ten-dollar wages. —N. Y. Sun.

POOR MOTHER!



Caller—Is your mother at home, Johnny? Johnny—Mother is ill, very ill. The doctor says she has got an eternal chill. —Scraps.

He Does.

"What looks more ridiculous than a peek-a-boq waist?" "Well, a man in white canvas shoes, passionate socks and turned-up trousers, smoking a cigarette, crowds it mighty close."—Houston Post.

For All He Was Worth.

"Yes," said the man who had failed in business, "I was trying to get into politics." "And couldn't you?" "No; politics got into me."—Blous-ter Post.

THE HARD-CIDER YANKEE

(Hartford Times.)

The Rev. Dr. O. S. Davis of New Britain, who usually says something interesting when he says anything, declines to wax frightened over the foreign invasion of these parts. Touching on democracy in New England in an address in Boston the other night, Dr. Davis said:

"The pioneer line is not out West, but here, in Fall River, Lowell, Haverhill, New Britain and Bridgeport. In my church I have foreign-born members whose names I can't pronounce. I know the immigrants, and they are serious, bright fellows. The danger to this country is from the degenerate Yankee who sits idly in the country store, and not from the immigrant."

This utterance, brushing away conventional notions, puts upon the decadent Yankee the same tag that the late Rev. Henry D. Hutchins pinned on him. In his notable address on some of the rural communities of Connecticut Mr. Hutchins said over three years ago: "There is much dead Yankee blood in these towns. The stamp of degeneracy is upon it." Mr. Hutchins was deeply impressed with the revivifying effects that the alien is likely to bring to bear upon the rural towns.

The Davis view and the Hutchins view, though touching the problem at different angles, bring up at the same hitching post. The tainted Yankee is, indeed, a pretty poor specimen. He chews plug tobacco, drinks hard cider, has lax moral standards and doesn't mind selling his vote. He sums up all the vices of shiftlessness and moves along the line of least resistance. The two planks in his platform of life are: (1), total abstinence between drinks, and (2), no work between meals.

While the degenerate Yankee crops out with disgusting frequency in many communities and lags superfluous on the stage the old-fashioned Yankee, who stands for gumption, for hustling, for inventive genius and for intellectual and moral leadership, continues to do a large business and to exert a fair force. The sooner the ambitious, industrious and thrifty immigrant drives the decayed Yankee to the wall the better. The intelligent and hard-working alien and the untainted Yankee working in harmony and each minding his own business, will make New England keep on humming.

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is one that can be used by the entire family, young and old, weak and strong, without any danger of harmful effects. It should have properties which insure the same dose, always having the same effect, otherwise the quantity will have to be increased and finally lose its effect altogether. These properties can be found in that of family remedy, Brandreth's Pills, because its ingredients are of the purest herbal extracts, and every pill is kept for three years before being sold, which allows time to mellow. We do not believe there is a laxative on the market that is so carefully made.

Brandreth's Pills are the same in laxative tonic pill your grandparent used. They have been in use for over a century and are sold in every drug and medicine store, either plain or sugar-coated.

Swiss Natural Hotel-Keepers.

All Americans are said to believe they know how to run a hotel, but the Swiss prove their ability and are recognized as the hotel-keepers of Europe. Various Swiss syndicates are running civilized hotels in all the places where the multitude go. Travelers should bless them. —Exchange.

Electricity in New Role.

For the first time in the history the port of London a cargo of it has been discharged by electricity. The Huntsman, of the Harrison line, having discharged such a cargo a system of continuous rollers worked by electricity in the London docks.

CITIZEN VOTING CONTEST.

